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BATURAY, ALICIA

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**Office Action Summary**

Application No.

09/982,277

Applicant(s)

ANDREWS ET AL.

Examiner

Alicia Baturay

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**Status**

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 23 September 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

**Disposition of Claims**

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1 and 4-15 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1 and 4-15 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

**Application Papers**

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 17 October 2001 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

**Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119**

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All    b) ☐ Some \*    c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- \* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

**Attachment(s)**

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 09162002.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_.

### **DETAILED ACTION**

1. This Office Action is in response to the amendment filed 23 September 2005.
2. Claims 1 and 14 were amended.
3. Claims 2 and 3 were cancelled.
4. Claims 1 and 4-15 are pending in this Office Action.

### ***Response to Amendment***

5. Applicant's amendments and arguments with respect to claims 1 and 4-15 filed on 23 September 2005 have been fully considered but they are deemed to be moot in view of the new grounds of rejection.

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

6. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

7. Claims 1 and 4-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Parasnis et al. (WO 00/49530).

Parasnis teaches the invention as claimed including a mobile information service that gives a user access to position adapted information. The information is shown on an ordinary portable computer, which is equipped with a GPS-receiver. On the map are icons that indicate places of interest. It is possible to show information automatically when one is approaching a certain point (see Abstract).

8. As to claim 1, Parasnis teaches a system for storing and accessing information units the system comprising

At least one storage device for storing information units (Parasnis, Fig. 2, element 26; page 12, lines 14-17); at least one presentation device for presenting the information units (Parasnis, Fig. 2, element 21; page 5, lines 4-11); a network connecting the storage device and the presentation device (Parasnis, Fig. 2, element 25; page 12, lines 17-19), where an information unit of the information units is assigned to a location (Parasnis, page 15, lines 18-25); positioning means for determining the physical location of the presentation device (Parasnis, page 14, line 33 – page 15, line 2); and presentation control means for controlling the presentation of the information unit in dependence on the physical location of the presentation device and on the location to which the information unit is assigned (Parasnis, page 15, lines 18-25) such that a full presentation of the information unit is permitted when the physical location of the presentation device and the location to which the information unit is assigned are substantially equal (Parasnis, page 15, line 35 – page 16, line 7), and permitting a gradually limiting presentation of the information unit as distance increases

between the physical location of the presentation device and the location to which the respective information unit is assigned (Parasnis, page 5, lines 4-15).

9. As to claim 4, Parasnis teaches the invention described in claim 1, including the system, the presentation control means being arranged to prohibit presentation of the information unit if there is a relatively large distance between the physical location of the presentation device and the location to which the information unit is assigned (Parasnis, page 15, lines 18-25).
10. As to claim 5, Parasnis teaches the invention described in claim 1, including the system, the presentation device being a portable device (Parasnis, page 5, lines 31-36).
11. As to claim 6, Parasnis teaches the invention described in claim 1, including the system, the presentation device being capable of creating and/or modifying the information unit which is assigned to the current physical location of the presentation device (Parasnis, page 6, lines 13-18).
12. As to claim 7, Parasnis teaches the invention described in claim 1, including the system, the network being at least partly a wireless network (Parasnis, page 7, lines 1-5).
13. As to claim 8, Parasnis teaches the invention described in claim 1, including a presentation device for use in a system (Parasnis, Fig. 3; page 12, lines 27-31).

14. As to claim 9, Parasnis teaches the invention described in claim 8, including the presentation device, comprising positioning means for determining the physical location of the presentation device (Parasnis, page 7, lines 1-5).
15. As to claim 10, Parasnis teaches the invention described in claim 8, including the presentation device, the positioning means comprising a Global Positioning System unit (Parasnis, page 7, lines 1-5).
16. As to claim 11, Parasnis teaches the invention described in claim 8, including the presentation device, comprising presentation control means for controlling the presentation of the information unit in dependence on the physical location of the presentation device and on the location to which the respective information unit is assigned (Parasnis, page 6, lines 13-18).
17. As to claim 12, Parasnis teaches the invention described in claim 8, including the system, the presentation device being a portable device (Parasnis, page 5, lines 31-36).
18. As to claim 13, Parasnis teaches the invention described in claim 8, including the system, the presentation device being capable of creating and/or modifying the information unit which is assigned to the current physical location of the presentation device (Parasnis, page 6, lines 13-18).

19. As to claim 14, Parasnis teaches a method of storing and accessing information units, the method comprising:

Storing the information units by means of at least one storage device (Parasnis, Fig. 2, element 26; page 12, lines 14-17); presenting an information unit of the information units by means of at least one presentation device (Parasnis, Fig. 2, element 21; page 5, lines 4-11); and connecting the storage device and the presentation device by means of a network (Parasnis, Fig. 2, element 25; page 12, lines 17-19); assigning each information unit to a location (Parasnis, page 15, lines 18-25); determining a physical location of the presentation device (Parasnis, page 14, line 33 – page 15, line 2); and controlling the presentation of the information unit in dependence on the physical location of the presentation device and on the location to which the information unit is assigned (Parasnis, page 15, lines 18-25), such that a full presentation of the information unit is permitted when the physical location of the presentation device and the location to which the information unit is assigned are substantially equal (Parasnis, page 15, line 35 – page 16, line 7), and permitting a gradually limiting presentation of the information unit as distance increases between the physical location of the presentation device and the location to which the respective information unit is assigned (Parasnis, page 5, lines 4-15).

20. As to claim 15, Parasnis teaches the invention described in claim 8, including a computer program product enabling a computer, when executing said computer program product, to function as a presentation device (Parasnis, Fig. 3; page 12, lines 27-31).

***Response to Arguments***

21. Applicant's arguments filed 23 September 2005 have been fully considered, but they are not persuasive for the reasons set forth below.
  
22. Applicant's arguments have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.



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*Conclusion*

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alicia Baturay whose telephone number is (571) 272-3981. The examiner can normally be reached at 7:30am - 5pm, Monday - Thursday, and every other Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Saleh Najjar can be reached on (571) 272-4006. The fax number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

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